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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) | | Docket Number (Optional) |
| FY 2005 <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i> | | P-6186 |
| Application Number 10/664,037 | | Filed 9/27/2003 |
| For Environments That Maintain Function of Primary Liver Cells | | RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER DEC 21 2005 |
| Art Unit 1651 | | Examiner Vera Afremova |

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

| | <u>Fee</u> | <u>Small Entity Fee</u> | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$120 | \$60 | \$ <u>120.00</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$450 | \$225 | \$ <u> </u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$1020 | \$510 | \$ <u> </u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$1590 | \$795 | \$ <u> </u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$2160 | \$1080 | \$ <u> </u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. | | | 12/23/2005 BABRAHAI 00000016 021666 1066403 |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>02-1666</u> . | | | I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. |

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I am the applicant/inventor.

- assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).
- attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 38,241
- attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34: _____


Signature

12/21/2005

Date

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919-597-6276

Typed or printed name

Telephone Number

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

Total of forms are submitted.

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| Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818). FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005 | | Complete If Known | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 | | Application Number 10/664,037 Filing Date Sept. 27, 2003 First Named Inventor Richard D. Guarino Examiner Name Vera Afremova Art Unit 1651 Attorney Docket No. P-6186 | RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER DEC 21 2005 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT | (\$) 120.00 | | |

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

| Application Type | FILING FEES | | SEARCH FEES | | EXAMINATION FEES | | Fees Paid (\$) |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| | Fee (\$) | Small Entity | Fee (\$) | Small Entity | Fee (\$) | Small Entity | |
| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | |
| Reissue | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 600 | 300 | |
| Provisional | 200 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) | Multiple Dependent Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
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| | | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | | | |
| - 20 or HP = | x | = | | 50 | 25 | |

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

| Indep. Claims | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
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| | | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | | |
| - 3 or HP = | x | = | | 200 | 100 |

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

| Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
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| - 100 = | / 50 = | (round up to a whole number) x | | = |

4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Request for a One-Month Extension of Time

120.00

SUBMITTED BY

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| Signature | <i>J. Timothy Meiga</i> | Registration No. 38,241 (Attorney/Agent) | Telephone 919-597-6276 |
| Name (Print/Type) | J. Timothy Meiga | | |
| | Date Dec. 21, 2005 | | |

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